

February 4th. The English Cabinet has been completely changed since the death of Mr. Pitt. If it is true that Mr. Fox is Secretary for Foreign Affairs, we could hand over Hanover to Prussia only as part of a general arrangement.

(To Prince Eugene.) My Son: I am surprised that you have not written me one word about your journey, Your wife has been more polite than you. I must insist on your writing me enough to inform me as to where you are, where you are going, and what you are doing; how do you get on with her, and how much do you care for her?

5th. The Emperor incloses an extract from the *Moniteur* (written for M. Talleyrand, We were threatened with the advance of £00,000 Russians. The Prussians want really be mad. M. Talleyrand must tell M. de Metternich that this sort of thing must be put a stop to.

14th. (To Marshal Berthier,) Stick closely to your orders; carry out instructions promptly; have everyone on his guard and at his post; I alone know what I have to do, If the Prussian Minister at Munich should call on you and speak of the occupation of Ansbach, reply that it is done by my orders. Have not the Prussians occupied Hanover? For the rent give Prussia plenty of line Hapsburgs.

18th. I have 510,000 men with the colour??; I have ordered heavy expenditure* for the ports and the* Inert* of the navy; I am going to increase* the army by 100,000 men, and I am going to impose* additional taxation on France.

March 1st. I want to create in Prime*! a lay state, Up till now the world has only known two forms of govern-